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(57) Abstract

A client (21) generated chat room (20) which does not depend on any single chat room server (14) or servers (6) and a method for producing a client (21) generated chat room (20) over a computer network (5) is provided. The client (21) generated chat room (20) allows the user of a client (21) co-presence with users (36) connected to chat rooms of different servers of the same type (6) and/or to chat rooms of different servers type (6, 14).

